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HOT ISSUES AND IMPORTANT DEADLINES:

Next 30 Days

Denver 2008 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) Attainment Status

Key Message: The regulatory attainment date for the 2008 eight-hour ozone NAAQS is July 20, 2018. For the Denver metro nonattainment area, the state of Colorado needs to show attainment of the NAAQS by that date (using 2015-2017 monitoring ozone data) or the area will be bumped up from a Moderate to a Serious nonattainment area.

- Ozone values in 2015 and 2016 were so high that Colorado will not be able to demonstrate attainment for the Denver area by the attainment date.
- Colorado is interested in requesting a one-year extension of the attainment date (to July 20, 2019) to allow additional time for implementation of its control strategies. The Clean Air Act (CAA) allows such an extension, provided no nonattainment area monitor's 4th maximum eight-hour average ozone for 2017 is above the level of the standard (that is, 75 parts per billion (ppb) or lower).
- The highest 4th maximum through August 2017 for the NREL monitor was 74 ppb. However, the NREL monitor recorded 76 ppb on both September 2 and September 4, 2017.
- The ozone exceedances on September 2 and 4 **(b) (5) (DPP)** ▮▮
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- The Air Program plans to **(b) (5) (DPP)** ▮▮
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PAST WEEK ACCOMPLISHMENTS: